CMPE 283: Virtualization

Assignment 2: Instrumentation via hypercall

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Problem Statement:

- (1) For CPUID leaf node %eax=0x4FFFFFF: Return the total number of exits (all types) in %eax
- (2) For CPUID leaf node %eax=0x4FFFFFD: Return the number of exits for the exit number provided (on input) in %ecx This value should be returned in %eax

Steps to follow:

- 1. With the configuration of Assignment 1, follow the step in the sequence.
- 2. In the hypervisor code, open the folder linux/arch/x86/kvm.
- 3. Edit the file cpuid.c and add the logic function for saving total exit counts to EAX and total time time spent cycles in EBX and ECX respectively.
- 4. Go to the folder linux/arch/x86/kvm/vmx.
- 5. Edit the file vmx.c and add the logic.
- 6. Save your changes and go back to the root folder.
- 7. Now build the source code using below command. Make sure you are using super user mode.

sudo make

- 8. Reboot the system after successful build.
- 9. Switch on the guest VM and install the package CPUID in it.

sudo apt install cupid

10. Run the belox command to check all the number of exits occurred by passing 0x04FFFFFF instruction.

cupid -l 0x04FFFFFFF

- 11. To check the number of exits for the exit number provided (on input) in %ecx. cupid -1 0x04FFFFFFD
- 12. Now reboot the guest VM and run the command in step 10.
- 13. Count the total number of exits occur in a full system boot.
- Logic implementation in cupid.c

int counterIpt[2][69] ={

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//changes in assignment2
int interruptCounterCpuid = 0;
EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL(interruptCounterCpuid);
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28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51,
52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68},
EXPORT_SYMBOL(counterIpt);
bool kvm_cpuid_customLeaf(struct kvm_vcpu *vcpu, u32 *eax, u32 *ebx, u32 *ecx, u32
*edx){}
if(*eax == 0x4FFFFFFF) {
*ebx = 0x000000000;
*ecx = 0x000000000;
*edx = 0x000000000;
*eax = interruptCounterCpuid;
}
else if(*eax == 0x4FFFFFD) {
*eax = 0x000000000;
if(*ecx < 69){
*eax = counterIpt[1][*ecx];
*ebx = 0x000000000;
*ecx = 0x000000000;
*edx = 0x000000000;
}else {
*eax = 0x000000000;
*ebx = 0x000000000;
*ecx = 0x000000000;
*edx = 0xFFFFFFFF;
}
}
else {
*eax = 0x000000000:
*ebx = 0x000000000;
*ecx = 0x000000000;
*edx = 0x000000000;
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}
return true;
}
EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL(kvm_cpuid_customLeaf);
      //till her
  Logic implementation in vmx/vmx.c
//changes for assignment 2.
extern int interruptCounterCpuid;
extern int counterIpt[2][69];
* The guest has exits.
static int vmx_handle_exit(struct kvm_vcpu *vcpu)
//atomic_inc(&interruptCounterCpuid);
interruptCounterCpuid = interruptCounterCpuid+1;
struct vcpu_vmx *vmx = to_vmx(vcpu);
u32 exit_reason = vmx->exit_reason;
u32 vectoring_info = vmx->idt_vectoring_info;
if(exit_reason < 69){
counterIpt[1][exit_reason] = counterIpt[1][exit_reason] + 1;
}
      //till here
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1) Exit counter before reboot

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deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996: ~
                                                                            File Edit View Search Terminal Help
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
CPU 0:
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x000000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
CPU 0:
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x000000007 ebx=0x000000340 ecx=0x000000340 edx=0x000000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x000000007 ebx=0x000000340 ecx=0x000000340 edx=0x000000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x000000007 ebx=0x000000340 ecx=0x000000340 edx=0x000000000
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2) Exit counter after reboot

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deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996: ~
                                                                            File Edit View Search Terminal Help
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
CPU 0:
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFF
CPU 0:
   0x0fffffff 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
deep@deep-Standard-PC-i440FX-PIIX-1996:~$ cpuid -l 0x0FFFFFFD
CPU 0:
   0x0ffffffd 0x00: eax=0x00000007 ebx=0x00000340 ecx=0x00000340 edx=0x00000000
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Question:

Comment on the frequency of exits – does the number of exits increase at a stable rate? Or are there more exits performed during certain VM operations? Approximately how many exits does a full VM boot entail?

Answer:

The no. of exits increases every time but not on a stable rate. The number of exits depends on the different operations, like IO or EPT violation the exits are more in comparison with the other operations. A full VM boot entails approximately **1234590** exits for the source tree.

Question:

Of the exit types defined in the SDM, which are the most frequent? Least?

Answer:

"External interrupts" are the most frequent and "VMCALL/VMREAD" are the least.